

CITY OF CONCORD

REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Brian G. LeBrun, Deputy City Manager

DATE: October 15, 2018

SUBJECT: FY 2018 New Hampshire Charitable Foundation Grant

Recommendations:

Accept the following report; and,

• Set the attached resolution accepting and appropriating the sum of \$20,792 from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation for public hearing on December 10, 2018.

Background:

On October 15, 2018 the City Administration received notification from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation that the City has been awarded \$20,792 in unmatched grant funds.

The City has been receiving these funds from the Charitable Foundation for more than a decade.

Discussion:

As Council knows, the City typically receives an annual allocation from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation for the purpose of undertaking special projects to improve the community, and City properties/facilities in the community.

City Administration recommends using the FY2019 installment to continue with improvements in City Hall, City Hall Annex, Green Street Community Center and other areas on City Hall campus. There have been significant funds allocated to the City Hall roof, stairwells, front entrance steps, and the exterior of Green Street Community Center in recent years as well as tremendous improvements to the lobby area from donated funds. However, other than improvements to the City Hall stairwell from the Charitable Foundation Grant, only a small amount of funds have been allocated to make any improvements to the other interior areas of City Hall and the exterior campus. The entryways into City Hall, including landscaping, are one of the main focal points of citizens and customers visiting the facilities, and are in need of attention and upgrades. While these funds will not completely refurbish these spaces, it will help start the improvement process.

These projects will be managed by the Public Properties Division of the General Services Department.